

# MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HURLOCK MINUTES

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OCTOBER 11, 2011

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF HURLOCK MET AT THE TOWN HALL ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2011 WITH MAYOR JOYCE SPRATT, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CHARLES CEPHAS, PARKER DURHAM, CHRISTOPHER ADAMS AND MICHAEL NORDSTROM; TOWN ATTORNEY HUGH CARTER VINSON, AND CLERK/TREASURER KATHLEEN CLOUGH.

MAYOR SPRATT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M., FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION.

TOWN ATTORNEY HUGH CARTER VINSON, ESQ. EXPLAINED THE 1985-2 ETHICS ORDINANCE THAT CALLS FOR THREE MEMBERS ON THE TOWN OF HURLOCK ETHICS COMMISSION. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS CONCURRED THAT THIS IS SUFFICIENT.

AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF THE ETHICS ORDINANCE AND THE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FOR CANDIDATES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND THE FACT THAT THE TOWN OF HURLOCK ALREADY HAS A PARTIAL EXEMPTION AND IS GRANDFATHERED IN UNTIL THE NEW ORDINANCE IS APPROVED BY THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION, UPON MOTION OF COUCIL MEMBER DURHAM AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER NORDSTROM, THE COUNCIL VOTED BY A VOTE OF THREE TO ONE THAT THE TOWN OF HURLOCK WILL NOT APPLY FOR A FULL EXEMPTION ON THE STATE MANDATED FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORM, UNDER THE REQUIREMENTS OF 2010 SENATE BILL 315. COUNCIL MEMBER CEPHAS VOTED AGAINST THE MEASURE.

THE COUNCIL THEN AGREED TO WAIT UNTIL THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION RESPONDS TO HURLOCK'S PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND THEN VOTE TO ADOPT IT. THE TOWN OF HURLOCK 2011 ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN OF HURLOCK ETHICS ORDINANCE 1985-2.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:10 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

  
KATHLEEN L. CLOUGH, M.S.

CLERK-TREASURER

NOVEMBER 14, 2011

DATE